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OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

**University of Edinburgh Exchange Program  
Estimated Costs of Study at Binghamton University  
2008-2009  
(Provisional\*)**

Binghamton University provides for full time student tuition (12 or more credit hours), a standard double room in the residence halls, a standard meal plan, and standard fees.

The student is responsible for paying:

**Per Semester:**

SUNY Health Insurance Fee (\$554.75 for spring semester)	396.25
Books and Instruction Materials	400.00
Orientation Fee (fall semester only) (Spring orientation is shorter and costs \$35)	200.00
International Student Administrative Fee	60.00
Miscellaneous Personal Expenses	630.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,686.25</b>

**Explanation of Costs:**

*Please review the following information carefully.*

**Food and Housing**

Costs vary for housing and meal plans according to selection. The exchange program provides for housing in a standard double room in the residential colleges and a standard meal plan. A student may choose a more expensive housing option (break housing in the residential colleges, a room in the Mountainview Community, or a room in an apartment community such as Hillside or Susquehanna Communities); and/or a more expensive meal plan but must pay the additional costs. Meal plans are not required for students who are housed in Susquehanna or Hillside Communities. **Students who are 22 years old or older may not live in the residential colleges. They may live in either the Hillside or Susquehanna Communities, and are responsible for the additional costs. They may also choose to live off campus.** Information on off-campus housing can be found online at <http://occ.binghamton.edu>.

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Please note that the residential colleges, except specifically designated break housing areas, close during official university breaks and vacation periods. Students not living in break housing (or the Hillside and Susquehanna Communities) are obligated to find alternative housing during these periods. Many students choose to travel at this time. The cost of travel and alternative housing during the breaks is not factored into this estimate of costs and should be considered by the student when determining a budget for personal expenses. On-campus room and board options and costs are explained in the publication *Residential Living* and on the Residential Life and Dining Services web sites: <http://reslife.binghamton.edu> and <http://dining.binghamton.edu>.

### **Health Insurance**

The SUNY health insurance fee is \$79.25 per month. The cost for the fall semester is \$396.25 for five months. The cost for the spring semester is \$554.75 for seven months, and includes coverage through the summer. However, students leaving earlier may receive a partial refund upon presentation of proof (in the form of an airline ticket) of earlier departure. Refunds will be mailed to the student's home address after the end of the term.

### **Fees**

Fees covered by the exchange program include the activity fee and comprehensive fee. Some courses have a laboratory or equipment fee, which is the responsibility of the student.

### **Orientation**

The fall orientation fee is \$290.00 for undergraduate students living on campus, \$190 for undergraduates living off campus and \$100 for graduate students. The spring orientation is a much shorter version of the fall orientation. The fee is \$35 for the spring semester.

### **\*Pricing**

All pricing information is based on 2007-2008 rates plus a 5% expected increase. (Fees, meal plan, housing and health insurance costs may increase by 5% for 2008-2009.) Any increases will be made over the summer, so you will have little notice to make actual adjustments, therefore the expected increase, though not confirmed, has been factored in.

**Exchange students are required to show proof of financial resources equivalent to \$1800 for the semester, or \$3600 for the year, on the State University of New York Foreign Student Financial Statement.**